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In re Application of
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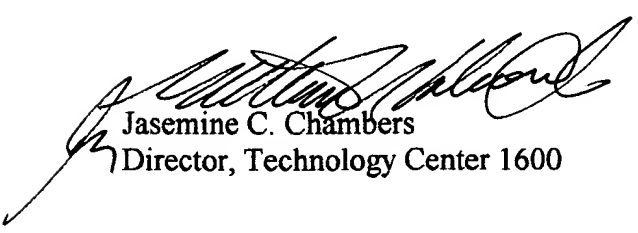
This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed December 5, 2003, requesting withdrawal of abandonment based timely payment of the Issue Fee. The delay in acting on this petition is regretted.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due and a Notice of Allowability to applicants on June 13, 2003, setting a three month statutory period for payment of the Issue Fee. Applicants submitted the Issue Fee Transmittal Form on September 12, 2003, authorizing payment of the Issue Fee from a Deposit Account. Applicants, however, failed to insert the Deposit Account No. on the form and the Issue Fee remained unpaid. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed to applicants on November 21, 2003, indicating failure to pay the Issue Fee. Applicants then filed this petition stating the Issue Fee was timely paid and requesting revival of the application. In view of the fact that the Issue Fee could not be paid as directed, the application cannot be revived in this manner.

The petition is **DENIED**.

Applicants filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) on October 8, 2004. In view thereof the application will be forwarded to the Office of Petitions for consideration thereof.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number.


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